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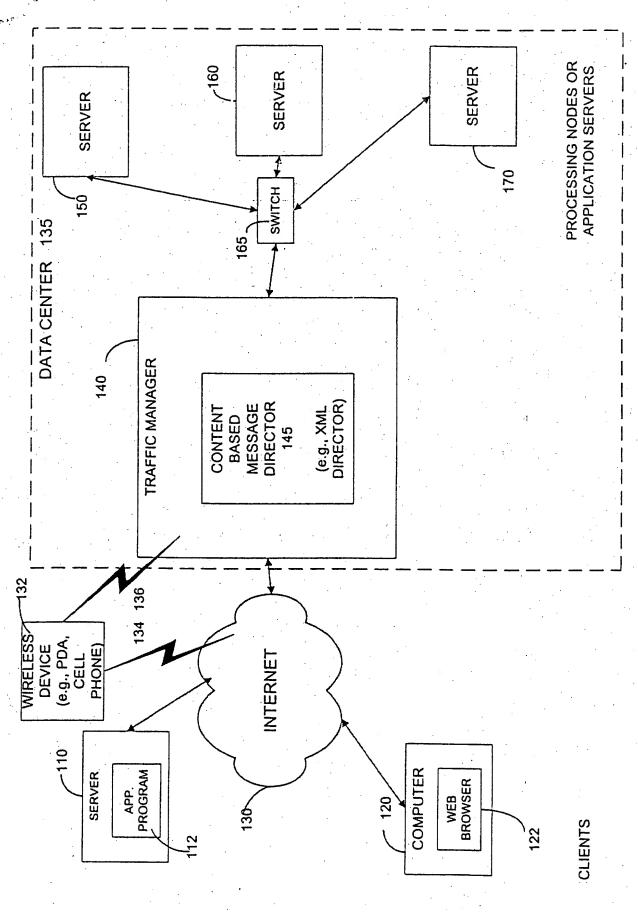


FIG. 1

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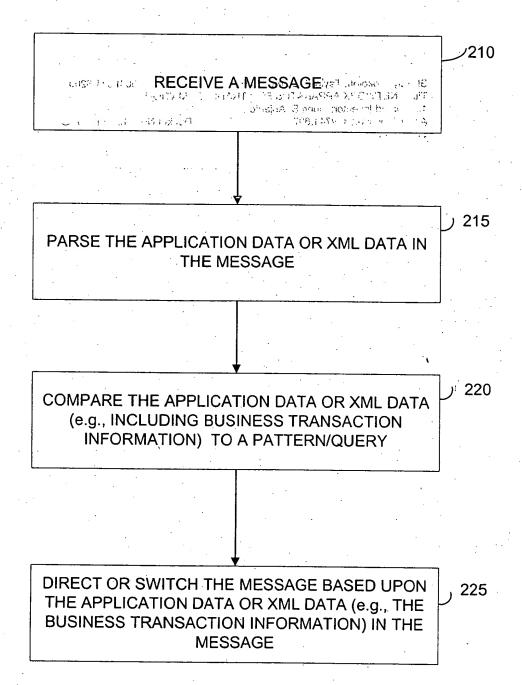


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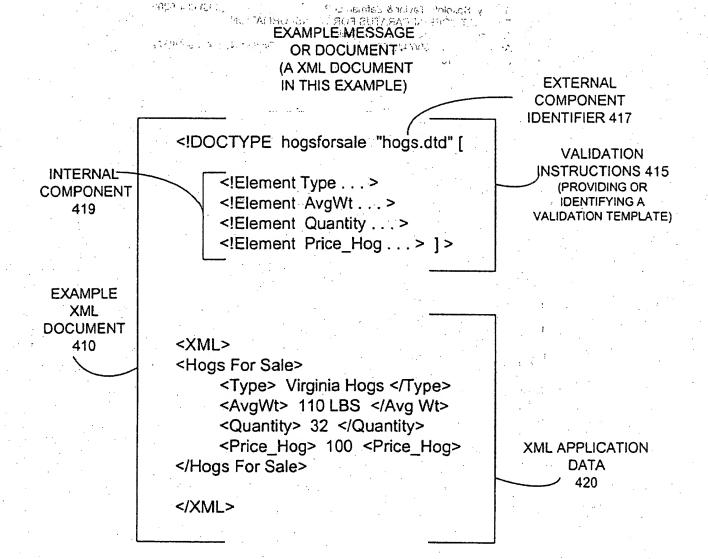
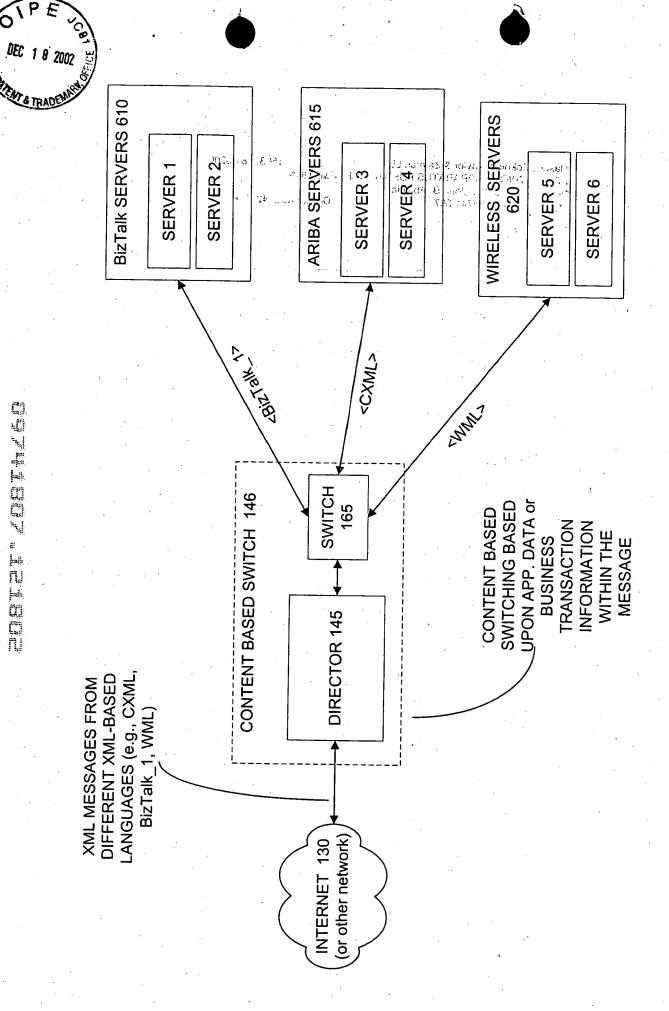


FIG. 4



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FIG. 5



PROCESSING NODES OR APPLICATION SERVERS (e.g., XML APPLICATION SERVERS)

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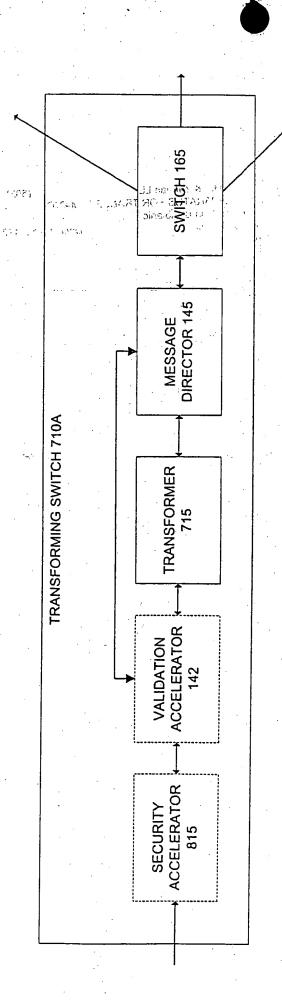


FIG. 8

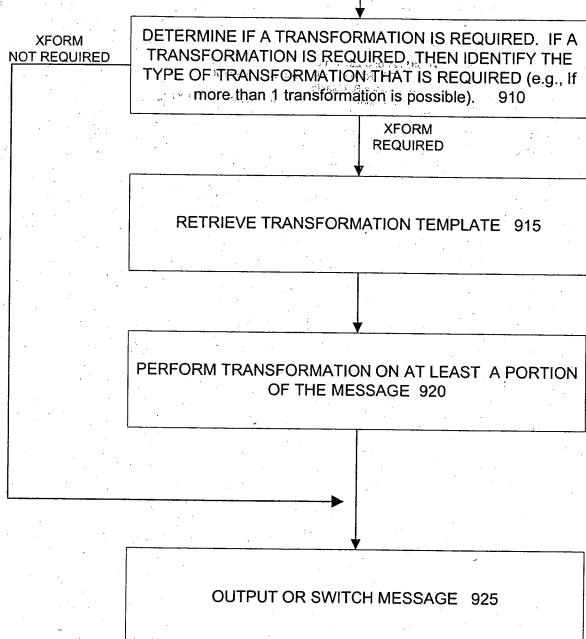


FIG. 9